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Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007

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Dear Commissioners:

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We are writing on behalf of companies providing energy efficient products and services to express support for Arizona's Electric Energy Efficiency Standard (EEES).

Energy efficiency programs offered by Arizona's investor-owned utilities through the EEES provide residential and commercial customers the opportunity to save on their energy bills. In turn, this creates local jobs, encourages economic growth, reduces the emission of CO<sub>2</sub> and enables the development of new technologies. Energy efficiency is the cheapest source of fuel, costing utilities and customers two to three times less than traditional power sources.

According to annual reports issued by the Arizona Public Service Company and Tucson Electric Power, households and businesses saved more than \$926 million on their utility bills between 2008 and 2013 as a result of the standard, while helping lower air pollution and water consumption at the same time.

Arizona's energy efficiency policies help reduce waste, and ensure abundant and reliable energy supplies. They have also provided opportunities for companies like ours that design and manufacture energy-efficient technologies to continue creating high-paying jobs in manufacturing, engineering and services. At the end of the day, energy efficiency is a local business that impacts local contractors and other small businesses integral to the energy supply chain in Arizona.

Since the Commission adopted the EEES in 2010, Arizona has proved to be an energy leader in the Southwest and is ranked 12<sup>th</sup> in the nation for its energy-efficiency policies by the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy. Additionally, the importance of energy security and energy stability to the Arizona economy cannot be overstated. Economic security is bolstered by making sure that Arizona continues to ensure access to safe, secure and affordable energy. We encourage you to continue building on this momentum, and support future economic and public benefits for residents and businesses of Arizona.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,





